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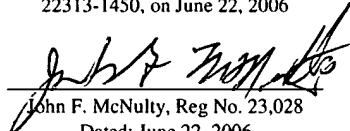
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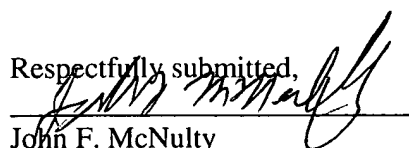
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- (1) Cover Letter with Certificate of Mailing;
- (2) Information Disclosure Statement with PTO form 1449 (3 pages);
- (3) Copy of German Search Report;
- (4) Copy of International Search Report;
- (5) 6 patent documents U.S. and Foreign; and
- (6) Paul & Paul Postcard to be returned by the PTO.

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**U.S. PATENTS**

(AA) 4,305,901, dated December 15, 1981.

(AB) 6,458,879, dated October 1, 2002. This patent corresponds to German

Patent No. DE 19854170, dated May 25, 2000, cited in the International Search Report.

**U.S. PATENT APPLICATION PUBLICATIONS**

(AC) 2002/0135098 A1, dated September 26, 2002.

**FOREIGN PATENTS**

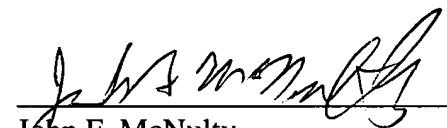
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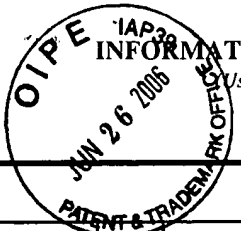
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	AE	FR 1 384 652 A	01/08/1965	FRANCE				
	AF	EP 0 125 483	11/21/1984	EUROPE				
	AG	DE 198 54 170 A	05/25/2000	GERMANY				

**OTHER DOCUMENTS***(Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)*


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